(c) and (d) In order to help IFCI Ltd. to shore up its Capital Government has decided to subscribe Rs. 400 crores to the 20 years convertible debentures to be issued by IFCI.

Investment of FIs **in Dabhol**

† 3937. SHRI KAPIL SIBAL:

SHRI RAJIV RANJAN SINGH "LALAN": Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that some Indian Financial Institutions have invested their capital for the construction of Dabhol Power of ENRON;

(b) if so, the names of such institutions and the capital invested by each of them; and

(c) in what form such as shares, loan and other capital was invested alongwith* the amount thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI BALASAHEB VIKHE PATIL): (a) to (c) Yes, Sir. However, in according with the practices and usages customary amongst banks and in conformity with the provisions of statutes governing public sector banks and financial institutions as also the provisions of Public Financial Institutions (obligation as to Fidelity and Secrecy) Act, 1983, further details relating to individual constituents cannot be divulged.

Infrastructural Facilities in **Rural** Areas by Nabard

3938. SHRI YADLAPATI VENKAT RAO:

SHRI RUMANDLA RAMA CHANDRAIAH:

Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the National Bank for Agriculture and Rural Development has decided to take up works worth Rs. 135 crore during 2001 -2002;

(b) if so, whether NABARD has also committed towards creating infrastructural facilities in rural areas;

(c) whether the Bank has already taken up works worth Rs. 120 crore last year;

(d) the extent of actual success achieved; and

(e) the works to be undertaken by 2001 -2002?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRJ BALASAHEB VIKHEPAT1L): (a) to(e) Presumably, the Hon'ble Member is referring to the funds made available by National Bank tor Agriculture and Rural

† Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.

Development (NABARD) under Rural Infrastructure Development Fund (RIDF). NABARD provides financial assistance to State Governments under RIDF for undertaking rural infrastructure projects in the respective States. During the year 2000-2001 and 2001 -2002, NABARD has sanctioned Rs. 4632.67 crores and Rs. 1048.38 crores respectively to various States under RIDF-VI and RIDF-VII towards creation of infrastructure in various sectors -*viz.* irrigation, roads and bridges, mini-hydel, rural water supply, soil moisture, conservation, watershed development, primary school building, rural markets, flood protection and drainage, information technology and system improvement projects.

Compensation for Extra Work in Bank

3939. SHRI PARMESHWAR KUMAR AGARWALLA: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state :

(a) whether a charter of demands has been submitted by the prominent Bank Officers' Unions to the Indian Bank Association asking for compensation for extra work currently being carried out by the officers due to enormous rise in the work load due to shortage of staff consequent to VRS in the banks;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) what action Government have taken towards the demands made by the Unions?

'THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI BALASAHEB VIKHE PATIL): (a) No, Sir.

(b) and (c) Do not arise.

Re-activation of Gold Deposit Scheme

3940. SHRI KARNENDU BHATTACHARJEE : Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to the news-item captioned, "Gold Deposit Scheme comes a cropper" which appeared in the Newstime dated 29th July, 2001;

(b) if so, what is Government's reaction thereto;

(c) whether the reasons for the failure of the scheme have been inquired